

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA
BUTTE DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

EDWARD THOMAS McINTEE,

Defendant.

CR 15-37-BU-DLC

ORDER

United States Magistrate Judge Jeremiah C. Lynch entered Findings and Recommendation in this matter on May 17, 2016. Neither party objected and therefore they are not entitled to *de novo* review of the record. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); *United States v. Reyna-Tapia*, 328 F.3d 1114, 1121 (9th Cir. 2003).

This Court will review the Findings and Recommendation for clear error.

McDonnell Douglas Corp. v. Commodore Bus. Mach., Inc., 656 F.2d 1309, 1313 (9th Cir. 1981). Clear error exists if the Court is left with a “definite and firm conviction that a mistake has been committed.” *United States v. Syrax*, 235 F.3d 422, 427 (9th Cir. 2000).

Judge Lynch recommended this Court accept Edward Thomas McIntee’s guilty plea after McIntee appeared before him pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 11, and entered a plea of guilty to one count of possession

with intent to distribute methamphetamine in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1) (Count VI) as set forth in the Indictment. In exchange for Defendant's plea, the United States has agreed to dismiss Counts I and II of the Indictment.

I find no clear error in Judge Lynch's Findings and Recommendation (Doc. 151), and I adopt them in full, including the recommendation to defer acceptance of the Plea Agreement until sentencing when the Court will have reviewed the Plea Agreement and Presentence Investigation Report.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that Edward Thomas McIntee's motion to change plea (Doc. 114) is GRANTED and Edward Thomas McIntee is adjudged guilty as charged in Count VI of the Indictment.

DATED this 2nd day of June, 2016.



Dana L. Christensen, Chief District Judge
United States District Court